

TFAWS Modeling Methods Paper Session

Assessment of OpenFOAM CFD library for numerical simulations of shock turbulence interactions (STI)



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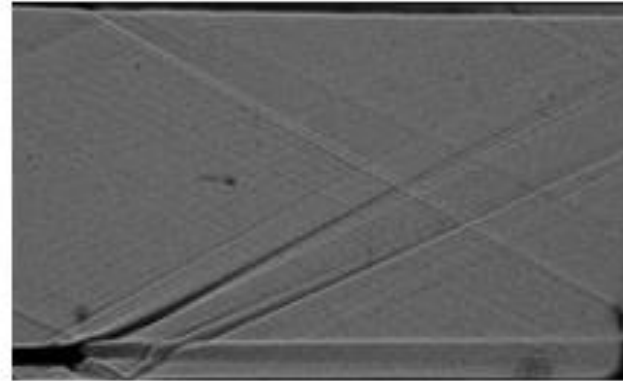
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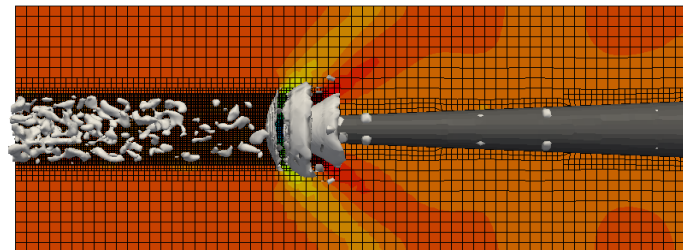


Applications

- Supersonic film cooling for the J-2X nozzle extension
 - Large Eddy Simulations (LES) using OpenFOAM



- Virtual probe
 - Build a transfer function connecting **measured fluctuations** with **upstream fluctuations**
 - With the help of LES (using OpenFOAM)

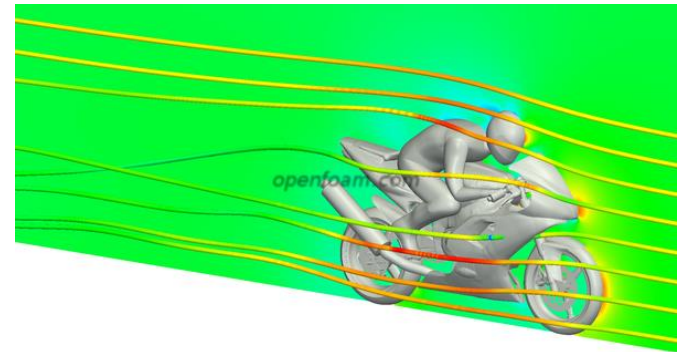




Why OpenFOAM?

- Getting very popular in
 - Academia &
 - Industry
- Why?
 - Free
 - Open source
 - Easy to extend/develop
 - Several models for e.g., turbulence, combustion
 - Unstructured meshes
 - Scalability up to 1000s of CPUs

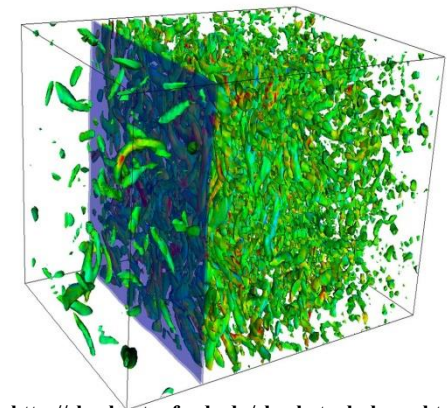
<http://www.openfoam.com/>





Assessment – why?

- OpenFOAM already used for flows with **STI***** e.g.,
 - Vuorinen et al. (PoF, 25, 2013)
- But a systematic study of its efficacy is required
 - Similar to what Johnsen et al. (JCP, 229, 2010) did for high resolution DNS codes/methods
- Because **STI***** impose conflicting requirements on CFD codes
 - For resolving turbulence
 - Numerical dissipation should be **minimized**
 - For capturing shocks
 - Numerical dissipation should be **introduced**



http://shocks.stanford.edu/shock_turbulence.html

***** STI – shock turbulence interactions**



Scope

- Evaluate different
 - **Solvers/approaches inside OpenFOAM**
 - Time stepping schemes
 - Limiters



Solvers/approaches

- rhoCentralFoam – **centralFoam**
 - Ready made
 - No reported studies focused on STI***
 - Central schemes e.g., Kurganov et al. (JCP, 160, 2001)
 - Relatively easy for polyhedral framework
 - Validation & verification, Greenshields et al. (IJNMF, 63, 2010)
- artificialViscosityFoam - **artificialFoam**
 - Already used e.g., Vuorinen et al. (PoF, 25, 2013)
 - Not ready made but fairly easy to code
 - Cook et al. (JCP, 203, 2005) & Bhagatwala et. al (JCP, 228, 2009)

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Time stepping schemes

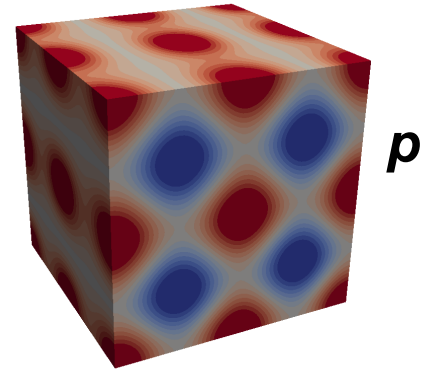
- Generally
 - Schemes like fourth order accurate Runge Kutta (**RK4**) are used in research
 - But codes like OpenFOAM, FLUENT don't offer those
- Schemes
 - Available
 - Implicit Euler (1st order)
 - OpenFOAM's "backward" (2nd Order)
 - Implemented
 - RK4 (4th order)



Assessment – how?

- Suite of carefully chosen benchmark cases, Johnsen et al. (JCP, 229, 2010)

- **3D Taylor-Green vortex**



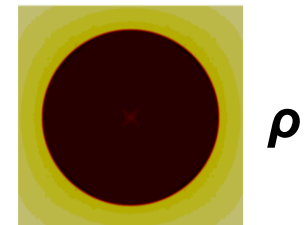
- **Shu-Osher problem (1D)**



- **Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction (2D)**



- **Noh problem (3D)**





3D Taylor-Green vortex

- Initial conditions

$$\rho = 1,$$

$$u_1 = \sin x_1 \cos x_2 \cos x_3,$$

$$u_2 = -\cos x_1 \sin x_2 \cos x_3,$$

$$u_3 = 0,$$

$$p = 100 + \frac{[\cos(2x_3) + 2][\cos 2x_1 + \cos 2x_2] - 2}{16}$$

- Periodic boundary conditions

- Euler equations

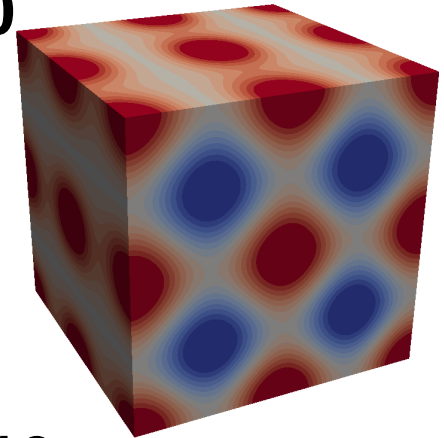
- Well resolved at $t=0$

- $t>0$, vortex stretching, smaller scales

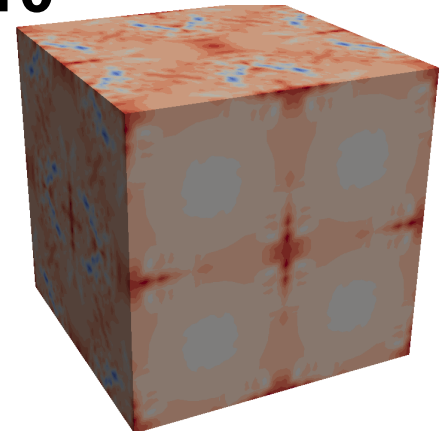
- Goals

- Evaluate stability for severely under-resolved motions
- Check measure of kinetic energy preservation

p @ $t=0$



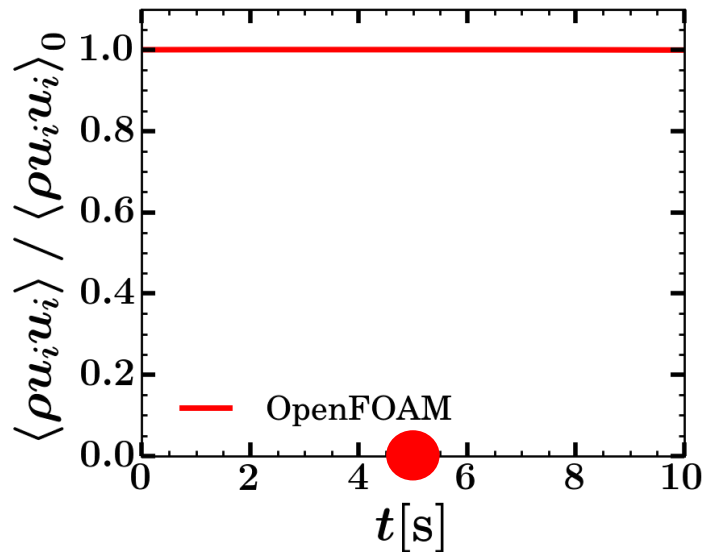
p @ $t=10$





3D Taylor-Green vortex

- Verification
- Normalized kinetic energy evolution



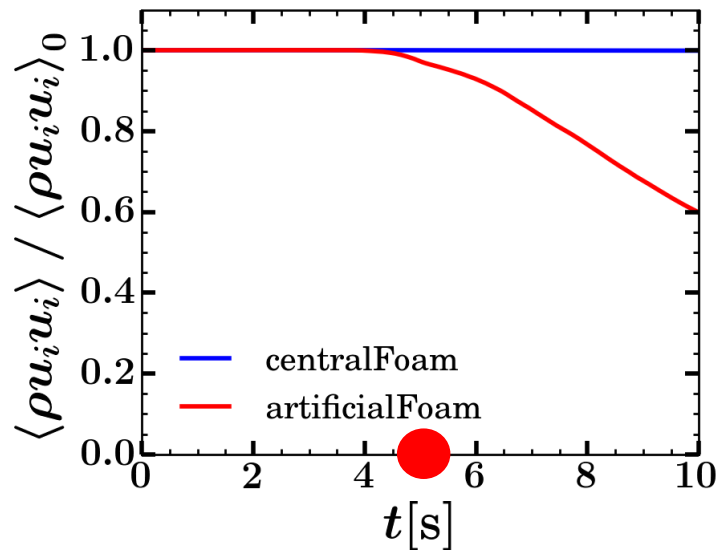
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Brachet et al. [1]	1
Hybrid [2]	1
ADPDIS3D [2]	0.998
Stan [2]	0.976
Stan-I [2]	0.976
WENO [2]	0.916
OpenFOAM	1

1. M.E. Brachet et al., J. Fluid Mech. 130 (1983) 411–452
2. E. Johnsen et al., J. Comput. Phys. 229 (2010) 1213–37



3D Taylor-Green vortex

- Comparing solvers
- centralFoam preserves Kinetic Energy (KE) but artificialFoam does not



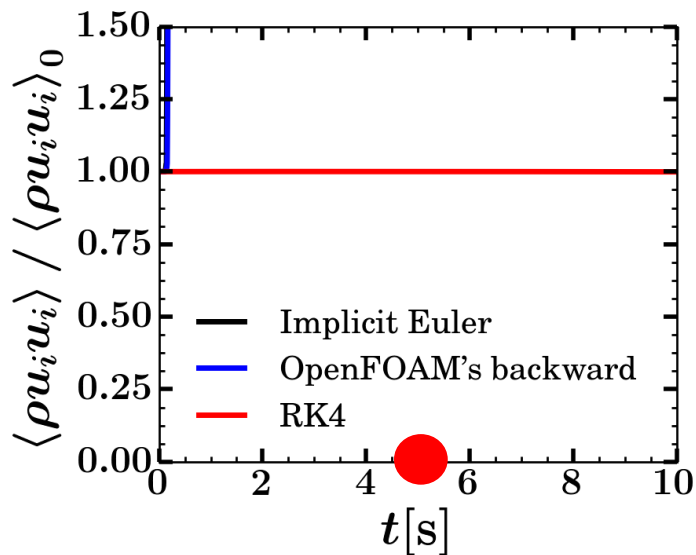
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centralFoam	1
artificialFoam	0.972

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3D Taylor-Green vortex

- Comparing time stepping schemes
- Solver crashes with Euler and backward schemes



Source	T-G energy <i>t=5</i>
Brachet et al. [1]	1
Implicit Euler	-
OpenFOAM's backward	-
RK4	1

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Shu-Osher problem (1D)

- Initial conditions

$$(\rho, u, p) = \begin{cases} (3.857143, 2.629369, 10.33333), & x < -4 \\ (1 + 0.2 \sin(5x), 0, 1), & x \geq -4 \end{cases}$$

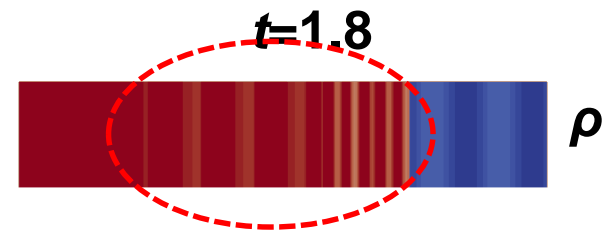
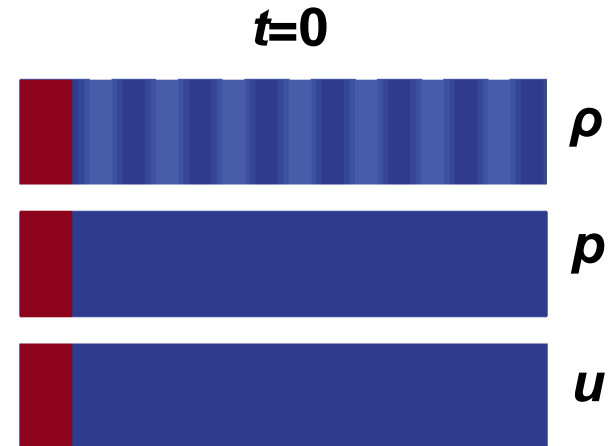
- Boundary conditions

- Zero gradient

- Euler equations

- Goals

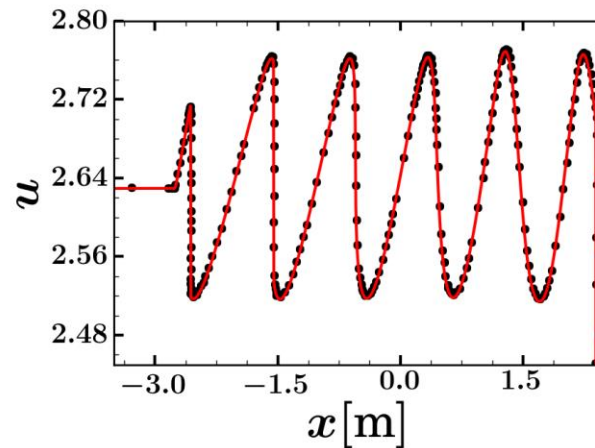
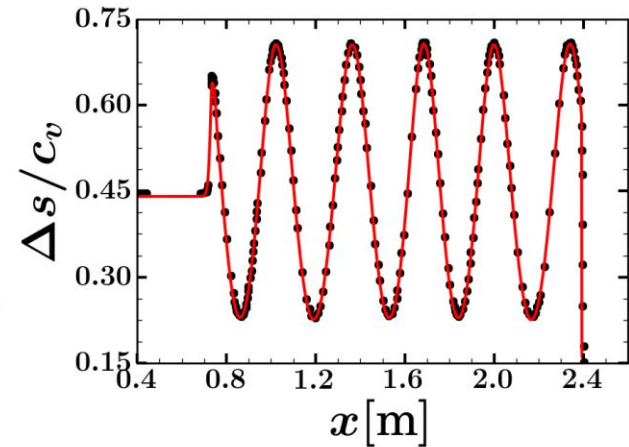
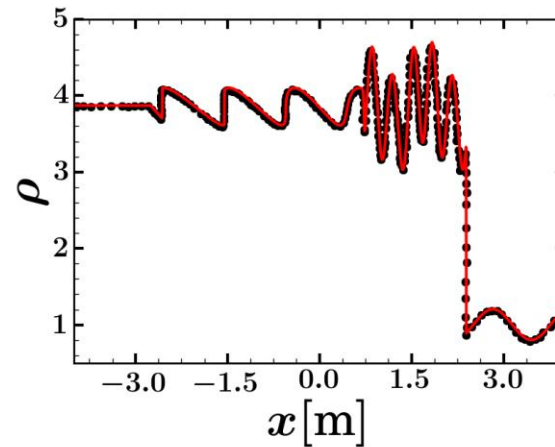
- Evaluate ability to capture
 - a shock wave
 - its interaction with an unsteady density field
 - the waves propagating downstream of the shock





Shu-Osher problem (1D)

- Verification

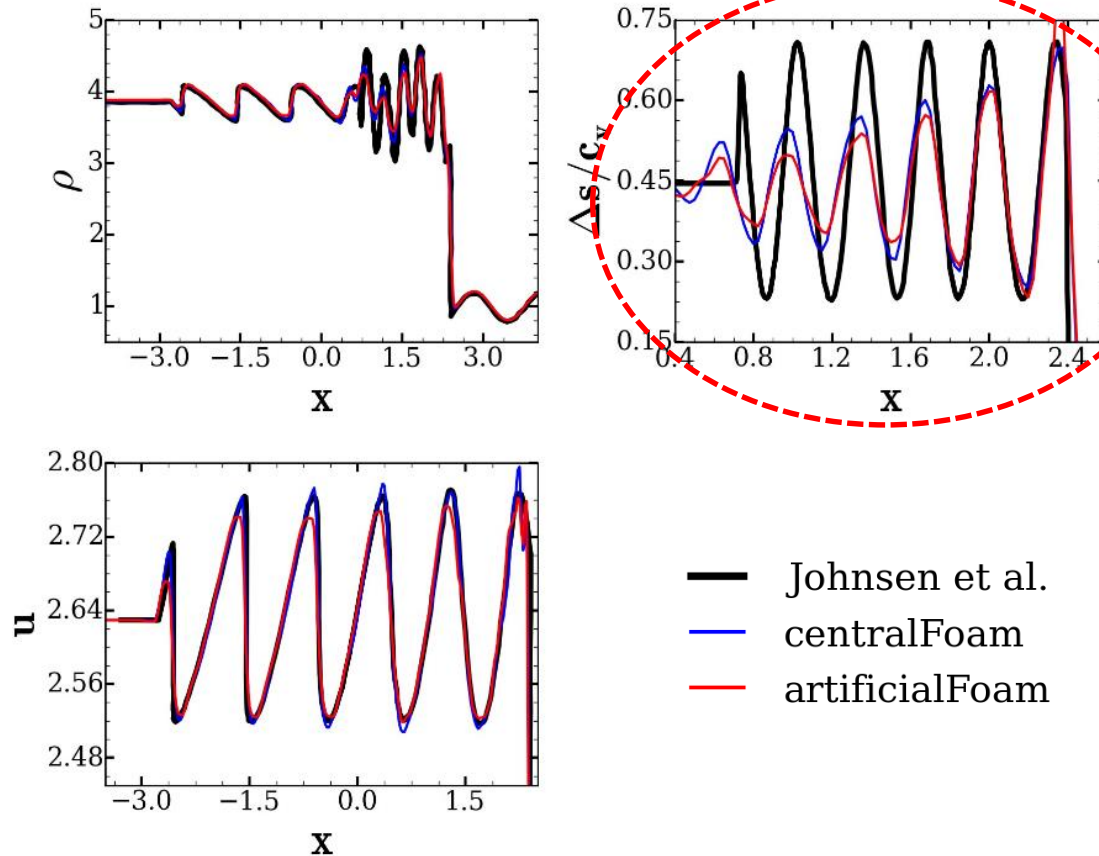


• • Johnsen et al.
— OpenFOAM



Shu-Osher problem (1D)

- Comparing solvers on a coarse grid
- Again centralFoam performs better than artificialFoam





Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction (2D)

- Initial conditions $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{u}_1, \bar{p}) = \begin{cases} (\rho_L, u_L, p_L) = (1, 1.5, 0.714286), & x < 3\pi/2 \\ (\rho_R, u_R, p_R) = (1.862069, 0.8055556, 1.755952), & x \geq 3\pi/2 \end{cases}$

$$\rho = \bar{\rho} + \rho_L A_e \cos(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2),$$

$$u_1 = \bar{u}_1 + u_L A_v \sin \psi \cos(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2),$$

$$u_2 = -u_L A_v \cos \psi \cos(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2),$$

$$p = \bar{p}$$

- Inflow boundary condition

$$\rho = \rho_L + \rho_L A_e \cos(k_2 x_2 - k_1 u_L t),$$

$$u_1 = u_L + u_L A_v \sin \psi \cos(k_2 x_2 - k_1 u_L t),$$

$$u_2 = -u_L A_v \cos \psi \cos(k_2 x_2 - k_1 u_L t),$$

$$p = p_L$$

- Euler equations

- Goals

- Evaluate ability to capture
 - Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction

t=25



ρ



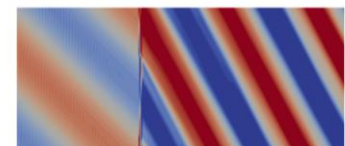
u_1



u_2



p



ω_3

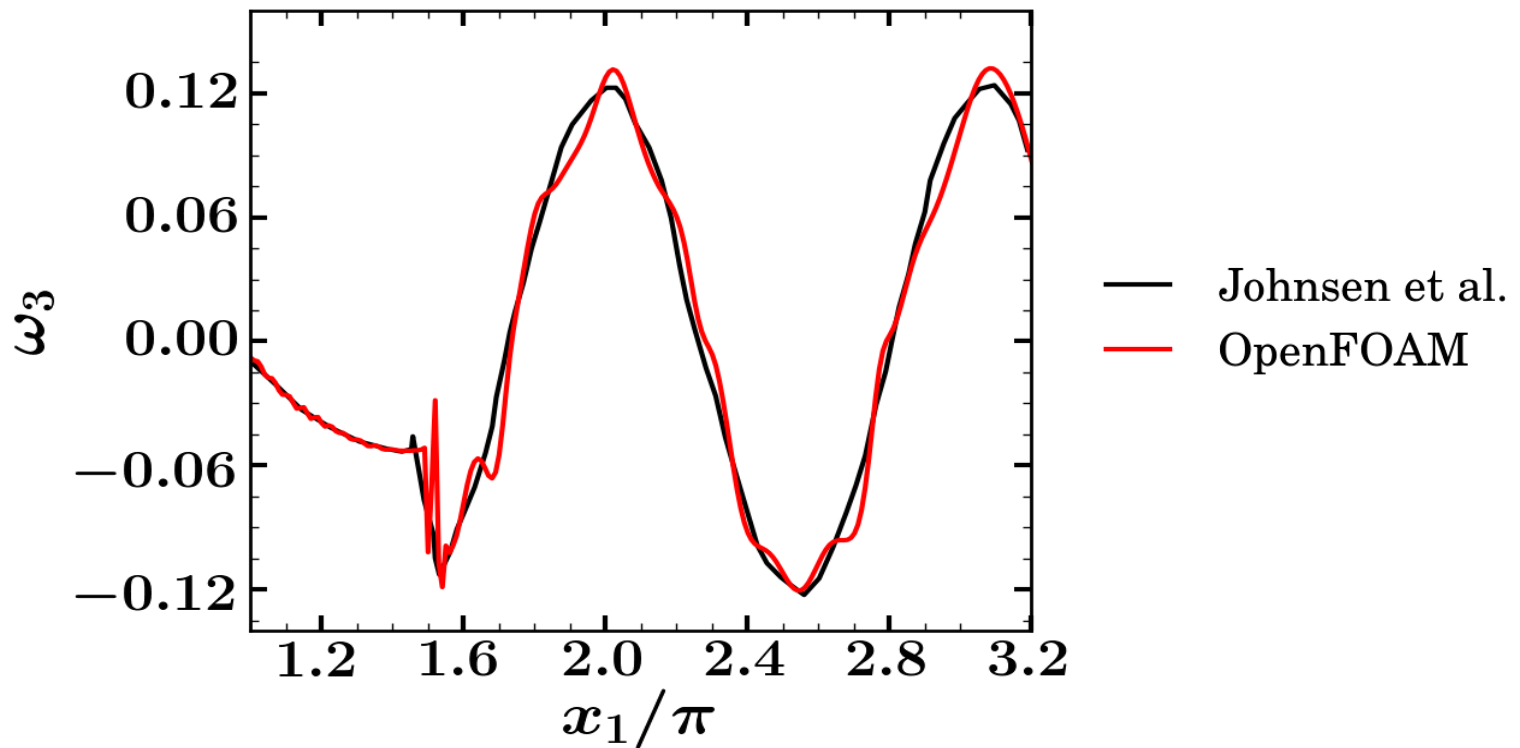
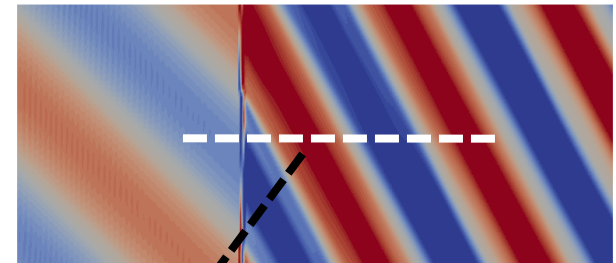


Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction (2D)

- Verification

- $k_1 = \frac{k_2}{\tan \psi}$, $A_e = A_v = 0.025$,

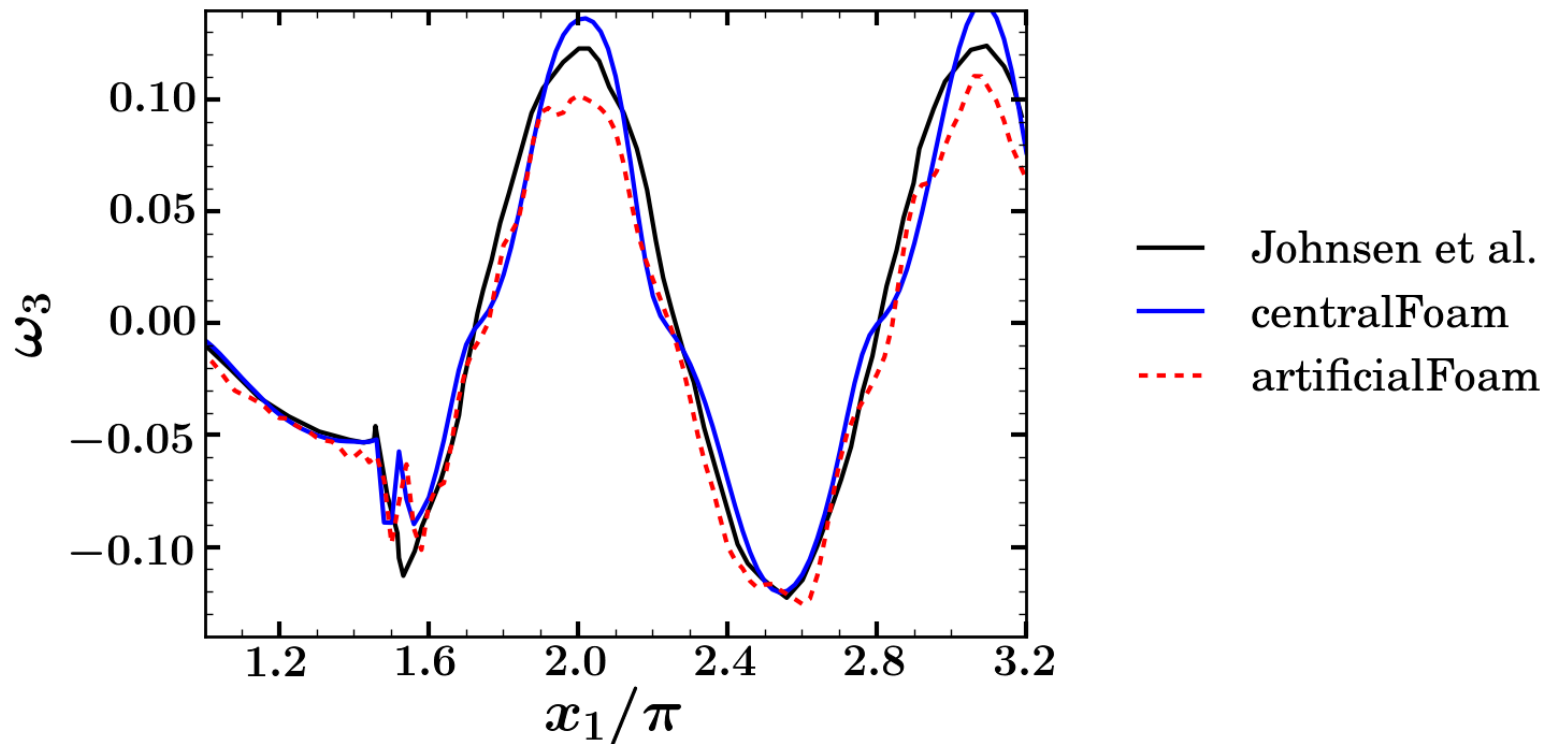
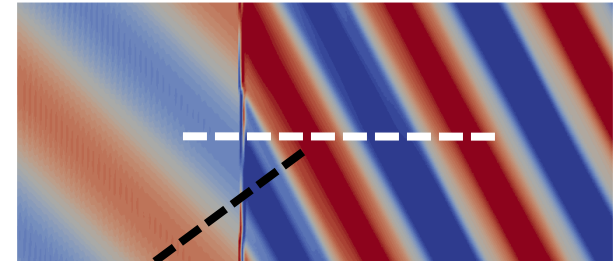
$\psi = 45^\circ$, $k_2 = 1$, $t = 25$





Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction (2D)

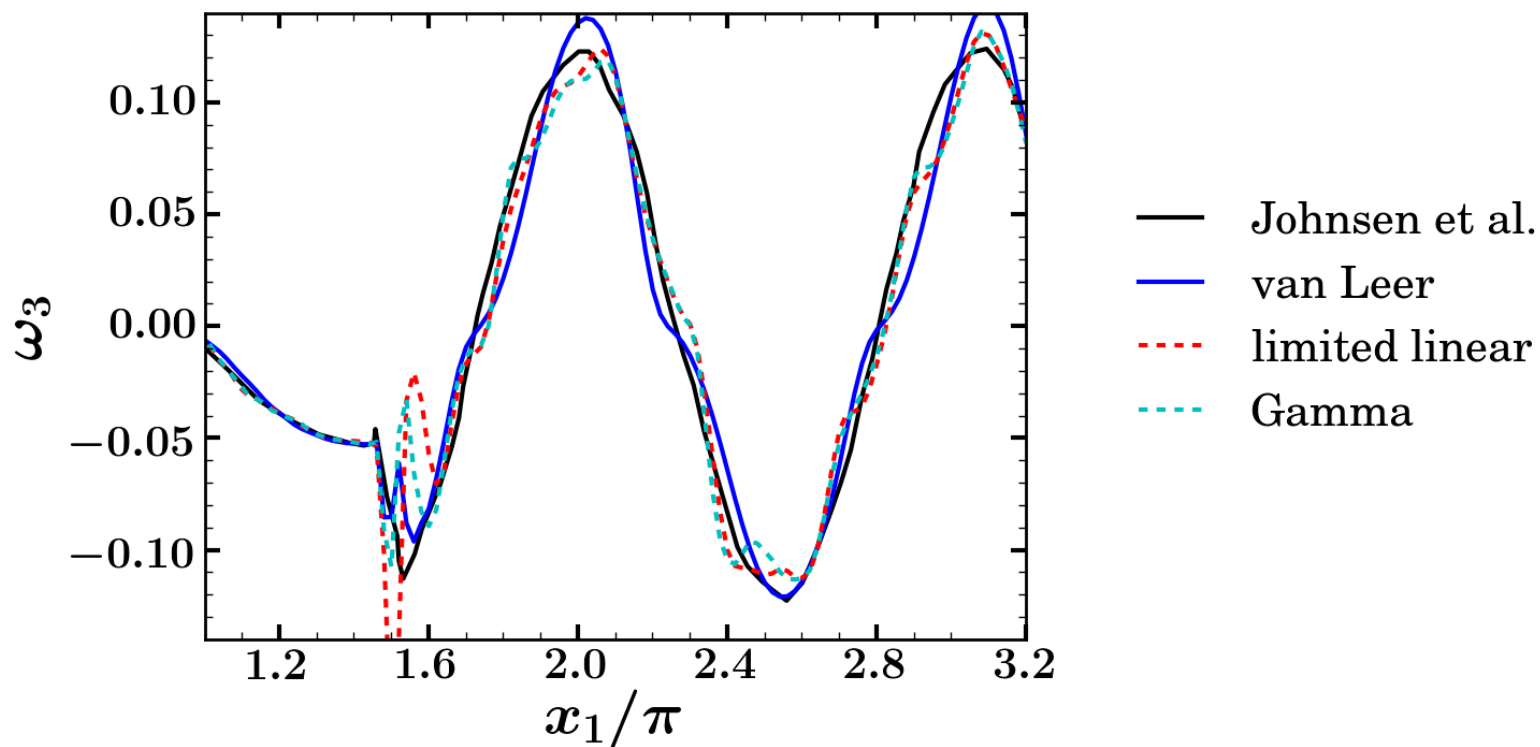
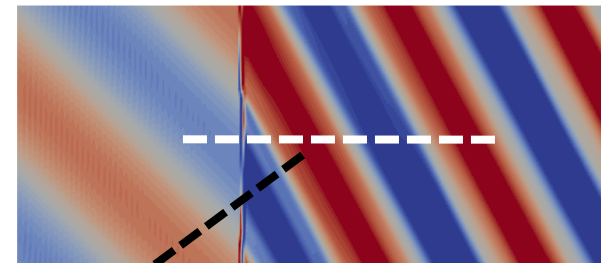
- Comparing solvers on a coarse grid
- centralFoam is better





Shock-vorticity/entropy wave interaction (2D)

- Comparing limiters on a coarse grid
- van Leer is better





Noh problem (3D)

- Initial conditions (**ICs**)

$$\rho = 1,$$

$$u_i = -x_i / r,$$

$$p = \varepsilon$$

- Analytical Solution (**AS**)

$$\rho = \begin{cases} 64, & r < t/3, \\ (1 + t/r)^2, & r \geq t/3 \end{cases}$$

- Boundary conditions, from ICs and AS

- Euler equations

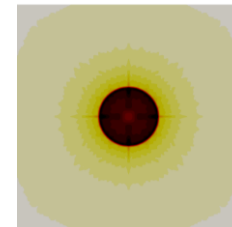
- Goals

- Evaluate ability to predict
 - Post-shock density
 - Shock speed
 - Spherical shape on a cartesian grid

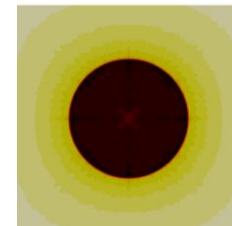
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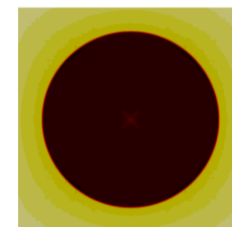
$t=0$



$t=0.2$



$t=0.4$

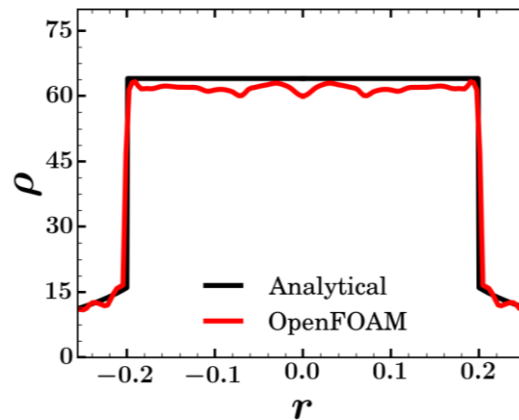
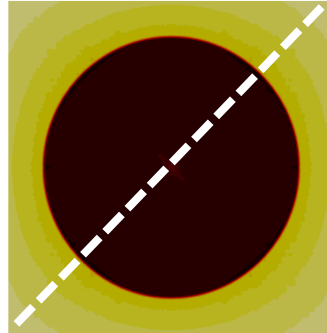


$t=0.6$



Noh problem (3D)

- Verification
- centralFoam, RK4 and van Leer



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Exact	64.0
Hybrid [1]	63.2
ADPDIS3D [1]	63.3
Stan [1]	55.1
Stan-I [1]	54.9
WENO [1]	63.3
OpenFOAM	63.1

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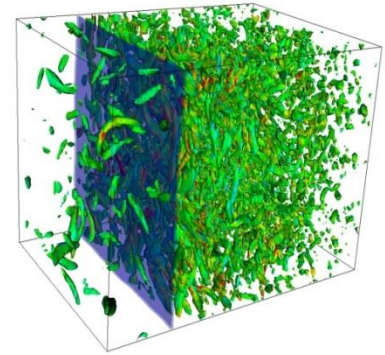
Concluding remarks

- Overall, OpenFOAM seems to be suitable for handling Shock Turbulence Interactions (STI)
 - centralFoam performs better than artificialFoam
 - Fourth order accurate Runge Kutta (RK4) time stepping scheme is more stable than the schemes offered by OpenFOAM
 - van Leer limiter provides best predictions



Future work

- Compare performance on canonical shock-turbulence interaction case
- Compare the solvers in terms of computational cost
- Compare performance on unstructured grids
 - Tetrahedral
 - Polyhedral
- Evaluate recent artificial diffusivity based methods e.g., Guermond et al. (JCP, 230, 2011)





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